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To reduce the danger of fire in your home, inspect it often. Start in the basement and work your way up, checking each of the danger points listed on this form. Your children can have fun and learn while they are helping you.

| HOME FIRE SAFETY CHECKLIST | | | |
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| HAZARDS | YES | NO | |
| Do you allow only qualified electricians to install or repair your wiring? | | | |
| Do you have enough electrical outlets in every room to avoid the need for multiple attachment plugs, long extension cords? | | | |
| Do you replace blown fuses with fuses of only the same size? | | | |
| Are all extension cords in the open, not run under rugs, over hooks or through partitions or door openings? | | | |
| HOUSEKEEPING HAZARDS | | | |
| Do you keep your basement, closets, and attic free of fire hazards such as rags, papers, broken furniture, mattresses, or other combustibles? | | | |
| Do you keep containers tightly closed if you store paint or varnish? | | | |
| Do you either destroy or place in covered metal cans, waste and oily polishing rags after use? | | | |
| Do you warn your family never to use gasoline, benzine or other flammable fluids for cleaning? | | | |
| HEATING & COOKING HAZARDS | | | |
| Do you have your heating system inspected and serviced before heating season begins? | | | |
| Do you have all flue pipes, vent connectors, gas vents, and chimneys inspected each fall and cleaned and repaired if necessary? | | | |
| Have you eliminated all vent connectors and the pipes that pass through attics, floors and ceilings? | | | |
| Are wood floors under stoves and heaters protected by insulation or ventilated air space? | | | |
| Do you keep your kitchen range, its oven and broiler, clean of grease? | | | |
| Are curtains near kitchen ranges and heating equipment arranged so as to not blow over them? | | | |
| Do you always turn off portable or gas heaters when you go to bed? | | | |

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| HEATING & COOKING HAZARDS continued | YES | NO |
| Do you always keep a window slightly open in rooms where gas or oil heaters are being used? (They consume oxygen as they burn.) | | |
| Do you keep every portable heater well away from curtains, bedding, furniture, and other combustibles? | | |
| Do you have metal gas connections for portable heaters or other gas appliances? | | |
| Has everyone in the family been warned never to use kerosene, or other flammable liquids to start a fire in the kitchen range, fireplace, or furnace? | | |
| Is every fireplace equipped with a sturdy metal fire screen? | | |
| Has everyone been warned not to wear loose fitting clothing near a kitchen range? The garments could catch on fire. | | |
| MATCHES & CARELESS SMOKING HAZARDS | | |
| Do you keep matches away from heat sources like kitchen stoves or heaters? | | |
| Do you make sure matches and smoking materials are out before disposing of them? | | |
| Do you have plenty of large non-combustible ash trays in every room? | | |
| Is "NO SMOKING IN BED" a rule in your home? | | |
| YARD & GARAGE HAZARDS | | |
| Do you keep your yard cleared of leaves, debris, and combustible rubbish? | | |
| If any of the surrounding property is vacant, have weeds, dry leaves, and rubbish been cleared away? | | |
| Do you store gasoline in a strong metal safety-type can with self-closing caps on the openings? | | |
| If your garage is attached to the house, is it separated by a tight fitting door which is kept closed? | | |
| A MUST FOR CONCERNED HOMEOWNERS | | |
| Do you have smoke detectors properly installed? | | |
| Do you test your smoke detector monthly? | | |
| Do you have fire extinguishers? | | |
| Do you and your children know how and when to call 9-1-1? (Place emergency number by your telephone.) | | |
| Do you have an escape plan from every room in your home, especially the bedrooms? | | |
| Have you practiced that escape plan by holding fire drills in your home? | | |
| Do you have a meeting place outside your home to count heads after a fire? | | |